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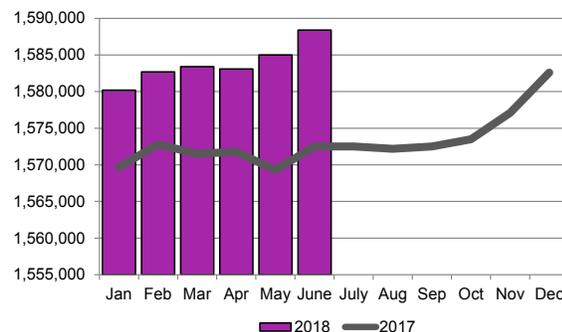
# Iowa Workforce and Economy

### Upcoming 2018 News Release Schedule

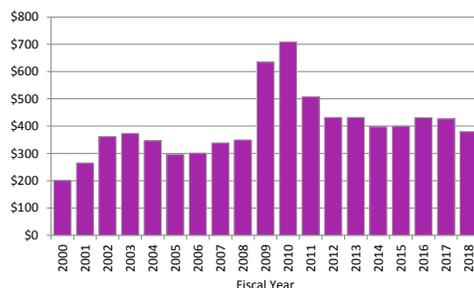
Reference Month	Statewide News Release	Local Area News Release
Jan	Mar 12	Mar 12
Feb	Mar 23	Mar 27
Mar	Apr 20	Apr 24
Apr	May 18	May 22
May	Jun 15	Jun 19
<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul 20</b>	<b>Jul 24</b>
Jul	Aug 17	Aug 21
Aug	Sep 21	Sep 25
Sep	Oct 19	Oct 23
Oct	Nov 16	Nov 20
Nov	Dec 21	Dec 27
Dec	Jan 18	Jan 23

- Iowa's seasonally adjusted jobless rate remained at 2.7 percent in June. The current rate is down from the year ago figure of 3.2 percent.
- The number of employed Iowans increased to 1,635,000 in June from 1,629,900 in May.
- The U.S. unemployment rate increased to 4.0 percent in June.

### Iowa Total Nonfarm Employment January 2017 - June 2018



### Unemployment Insurance (UI) Benefits Paid Regular UI Benefits (\$ millions)



Source: ETA-5159

- Unemployment benefits paid during the fiscal year ending June 2018 totaled \$380 million. This represents a decrease of 11 percent from the fiscal year 2017 payout of \$427 million. The fiscal year 2018 benefit payout was the lowest since fiscal year 2008.
- The number of UI weeks compensated was below one million for the first time since fiscal year 2000.
- Production workers in Iowa's construction sector averaged \$1,145.79 in June per week, up \$55.27 versus last year. The increase is primarily due to an increase in overtime hours.
- U.S. total nonfarm payroll added 213,000 jobs in June.

- Total nonfarm employment added jobs for the second consecutive month in June, gaining 3,400 jobs. Much of the gain was due to seasonal hiring in local government related to summer programs.
- Private industry changed little compared to May, adding just 500 jobs.
- Construction expanded again in June (+900) and has now added jobs in every month since February. This sector is now positive annually for the first time since November 2016.
- Losses were small this month and included 600 in professional and business services.
- Iowa has added 15,900 jobs over the past twelve months. The largest gains have been in manufacturing (+9,800) and professional and business services (+2,600).

### Iowa Nonfarm Employment Seasonally Adjusted

Year	Month	Iowa Statewide Employment	Construction Employment
2017	Nov	1,577,100	74,800
	Dec	1,582,600	73,500
2018	Jan	1,580,200	72,600
	Feb	1,582,700	73,400
	Mar	1,583,400	75,100
	Apr	1,583,100	75,700
	May	1,585,000	76,600
	Jun	1,588,400	77,500

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### Iowa and U.S. Unemployment Rates for 2018

